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Parkview Eighth Graders Prepare For Transition To Ashwaubenon High School

Ashwaubenon, WI – June 2, 2010 – An Ashwaubenon School District team of teachers, interested in helping smooth students' transition from middle school to high school, gave eighth graders an opportunity to experience high school. Over a four day period in May, groups of Parkview Middle School students, each paired with an Ashwaubenon High School student, travelled to the high school where they attended two classes and ate lunch. The experience was very positive since the high school students were excited to show off their school and the middle school students were anxious to see what was in store for them next school year.

The team, consisting of Parkview and AHS teachers Megan Obsterdat, Susie Ness, Jennifer Glandt, Cathy Green, Tara Zeal, Sandra DeBruin and Jill Zelzer, will continue its work on transitioning. According to AHS Principal Mark Sheedy, students should be in the building at least seven times before they reach a comfort level. He feels this new effort compliments AHS' student-led LINK program, where older students mentor incoming freshman and new students throughout their first year at AHS.

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